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Applicant: Brian A. LaMacchia et al. Examiner:
Serial No.: 09/598,814 Group Art Unit: 2755
Filed: June 21, 2000 Docket No.: MS154745.1/40062.65US03
Title: EVALUATING INITIALLY UNTRUSTED EVIDENCE IN
AN EVIDENCE-BASED SECURITY POLICY MANAGER

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)); Form 1449; 9 references; and postcard, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on January 4, 2001.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

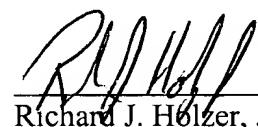
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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

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